

REDLANDS

Passenger Rail Project

ABOUT THE PROJECT

East-west travel corridors between San Bernardino and Redlands are often congested and provide no opportunities for direct transit service. Physical barriers such as the Santa Ana River and Interstate 10, combined with slow local traffic make it difficult for peak-period travelers to get to and from work, home and other activities.

Recognizing a need for a cost-effective travel alternative for communities located along the Redlands Corridor, San Bernardino Associated Governments (SANBAG), the county's transportation authority and commission, developed the Redlands Passenger Rail Project (Project). A key project under the County's self help sales tax Measure I 2010-2040 Strategic Plan and 10-year Delivery Plan, the Project runs along existing railroad right-of-way from E Street in San Bernardino east to the City of Redlands, roughly a nine-mile extension of passenger rail service.

By the Numbers

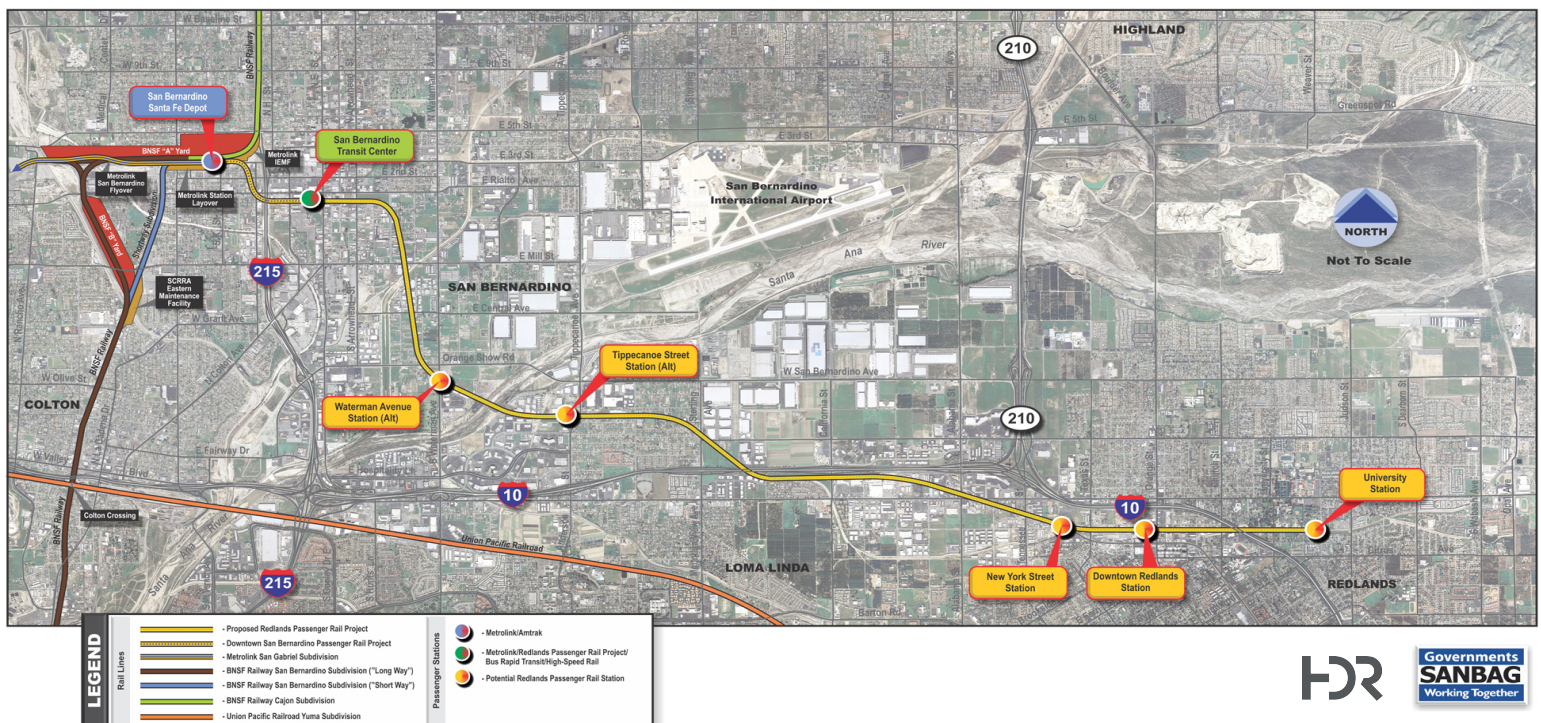
Total Length of Alignment:	9 Miles
Length of Passing Siding:	2 Miles
Total Length of Track:	59,600 Feet
Bridge Replacements:	5
At-Grade Crossings:	27
Boarding Platforms:	5
Train Sets:	3

PROJECT BENEFITS

- Creates a Reliable Transit Alternative
- Provides Connectivity to regional transit services
- Reduces Traffic Congestion
- Improves Air Quality
- Supports Private Investment

REDLANDS CORRIDOR STRATEGIC PLAN

Phase 1 Commuter Rail





PROJECT COMPONENTS

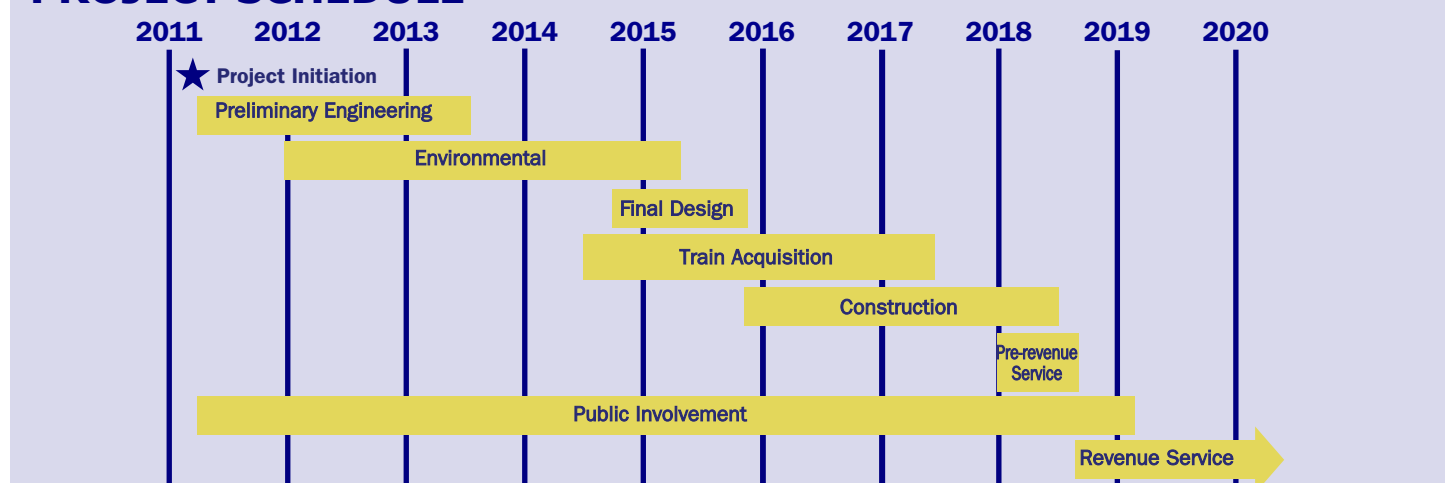
- 5 Stations: E Street, Tippecanoe or Waterman Avenue, New York Street, Downtown Redlands, and University of Redlands.
- Station Amenities: boarding platforms (except at E Street station), ticket machines, shade canopy, seating, walkways, bike racks, lighting and parking.
- Track Improvements: Redesign of the existing track alignment, track ballast, and subgrade foundation.
- Five bridges to be either replaced or strengthened.
- At-Grade Crossings: To improve overall project safety, some at-grade crossings will be modified while others may be closed.
- Parcel Acquisitions and Relocations. SANBAG is committed to minimizing impacts to existing properties along the corridor. Once a preferred alternative is approved, SANBAG will contact impacted properties.
- Utility, Culvert Replacements, Extensions, and Relocations.
- Traffic and Rail Signals. Additional rail and traffic signals will be installed per the final project design. The new system will operate under Positive Train Control (PTC).
- Rail Operations. Operations are projected to begin in 2018. Previously owned rail vehicles or Diesel Multiple Units are being considered for this new service.
- Maintenance. Railroad maintenance will occur from a centralized layover facility proposed to the west of California Street, immediately south of I-10.

FUNDING AND TIMING

Funding for the Project is anticipated to come from a combination of federal, state and local sources. These include Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) Funds; 5307 and 5309 Grants; Proposition 1B; Transportation Development Act; Local Measure I; and the Private Sector.

SANBAG and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) are preparing a joint Environmental Impact Statement (EIS)/Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) for the project pursuant to the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). A draft EIS/EIR was released for public review on August 6, 2014. The public will have an opportunity to provide written comments on the draft EIS/EIR during the review period along with attending public meetings scheduled for September 4th and 9th, 2014 during the public review period. Based on the project delivery schedule outlined in the draft EIS/EIR, construction is planned to begin in late 2015 with operation in 2018. However, alternatives identified in the environmental process offer a wide range of choices for commuter rail service along this corridor. Therefore, construction and operation schedules may vary based on the alternative selected and availability of funding.

PROJECT SCHEDULE



CONTACT INFORMATION

Your comments and questions about the Redlands Passenger Rail Project are encouraged. For more information, please contact Tim Watkins, Public Information for SANBAG, at (909) 884-8276. You can also visit the project website at www.sanbag.ca.gov and click on Downtown San Bernardino and Redlands Passenger Rail Projects tab.

